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Sir:

This is in response to the Restriction Requirement of August 21, 2003, in which Applicants were required to elect a single main species and a single sub-species for prosecution on the merits.

Applicants hereby elect Species 1 of FIGS. 2-3 drawn to grooves in a disk drive having a V-shape, and sub-species B of FIGS. 8-9 drawn to a suspension assembly within a disk drive having one of the aforementioned grooves provided therein. The elected species and sub-species cover claims 1-3, 8, 11, 12, 15, 16, 19-21 and 23. Of these claims, claims 1, 2, 11, 19, 20 and 23 are generic to the elected and unelected species. Claims 4-7, 9, 10, 13, 14, 17, 18, and 22 are withdrawn from consideration until the allowance of a generic claim.

Respectfully submitted,

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